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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

GRUENEWAEOLDER ET AL.

Examiner

Patrick D. Niland

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 11/22/06.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2 and 11-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2 and 11-17 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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1. The amendment of 11/22/06 has been entered. Claims 1-2 and 11-17 are pending.

2. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

3. Claims 1-2 and 11-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over WO 00/44847 Burns et al..

Burns et al. disclose the instantly claimed adhesive compositions at the abstract; page 3, lines 10-31, particularly line 29; page 4, lines 1-31, particularly 25-31; page 5, lines 1-30, particularly line 20 which falls within the scope of the instant claim 16 while the remainder encompasses the "aminopolyether polyol" of the instant claims as does page 6, lines 1-26; page 6, lines 28-29; page 7, lines 1-31, particularly 10-13 of which DMDEE falls within the scope of the instant claim 17; and the remainder of the document. Page 5, lines 22-25 encompasses the instant claims 11 and 13. Page 4, lines 19-20 falls within the scope of the instant claim 12. If the aminopolyether polyol is intended to be part of "the catalyst" of claim 15, the aminopolyether polyol of the reference plus the exemplified amounts of DMDEE (e.g. page 20, lines 25-27) fall within the scope of the instant claim 15. No alkali metal ions are present which falls within the scope of the instant claim 2.

It would have at least been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the instant invention to use the above discussed combinations of materials which fall within the scope of the instant claims because they are encompassed by Burns and would have been expected to give the adhesives having the properties discussed by Burns. No unexpected results are seen in a manner commensurate in scope with the instant claims and the cited prior art.

Applicant's argument that the instantly claimed aminopolyether polyol having the instantly claimed ratio of ether groups to amino nitrogen is not disclosed is not persuasive. Consideration of all of the descriptors of the reference aminopolyether polyol, particularly the molecular weights, weight % of ethylene oxide groups, the figure which contains only one initiator molecule, the disclosed initiators which include triethanol amine of claim 16 as cited above, and the fact that a triethanolamine initiated polyether polyol made with the disclosed alkylene oxides and having the disclosed molecular weight of 1500 which is preferred (page 5, lines 14-17) will have the claimed amount of ether to amino nitrogen shows that the prior art encompasses the instantly claimed invention squarely. The applicant has not rebutted the above statement of obviousness rationale nor have they shown unexpected results in a manner commensurate in scope with the instant claims and the cited prior art. This rejection is therefore maintained.

4. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

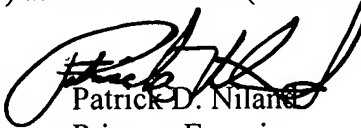
A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire **THREE MONTHS** from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the **THREE-MONTH** shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than **SIX MONTHS** from the mailing date of this final action.

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5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patrick D. Niland whose telephone number is 571-272-1121. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday to Thursday from 10 to 5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Vasu Jagannathan, can be reached on 571-272-1119. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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